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In re Application of:

Cyril J. SCHWEICH, Jr. et al.

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of September 27, 2002. A fee payment of \$55.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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